



PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Woodruff et al. ) **Examiner:** Shrestha, Bijendra K.  
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## **Title: ENHANCED PREMIUM EQUITY PARTICIPATING SECURITIES**

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis  
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April 21, 2008

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicants respond as follows, wherein:

A **Claim Listing** begins on page 2; and

**Remarks** begin on page 11.